

WE ARE IN THE
MARKET FOR

Plumbing, Heating

AND ALL KINDS OF

SHEET METAL WORK

which will receive the careful supervision of men of long and extensive experience. If there is anything wrong with your gasoline lighting plant, see us about it. We have an expert in that line.

We will appreciate your business and guarantee you complete satisfaction when your work is entrusted to us. Telephone Union 118 and we will call and make estimate if desired.

A. Hunter, The Tinner

122 West Superior Street

New Second Hand Store

Twenty-Five Coats Ladies' and Gentlemen's; some new, worth as high as \$5.00, for only **85c.**

New Furniture at Sacrifice Prices

Omega Cream Separator Almost New
2 Bicycles For Sale

Furniture Repairing Promptly Attended to.

WHITE & LUDY

411 Woodworth Avenue—Opposite Laundry. Store Open Evenings

ANNOUNCEMENT!

THIS is to notify our customers that we are keeping our store open every week day evening until 8:30, except Saturday, when we aim to close at 11:00 o'clock. We trust that this will accommodate those who cannot get here until after Supper in the evenings. Sincerely yours

G. B. HICOK, GROCERY

Alma Grain & Lumber Co.

SEED TIME

Timothy	Clover	Corn
Alfalfa	June	Peas
Rope	Mammoth	Beans
Flax	Alsyke	Etc

PRICES RIGHT

Alma Grain & Lumber Co.

MONEY IN FORESTRY.

Striking facts regarding our forest resources, their value and their waste, are condensed in an eight-page illustrated circular of the American Forestry association just issued. The lumber industry is said to employ 753,000 people, to whom are paid annually \$367,000,000 in wages, the worth of products being \$1,250,000,000. The forests of the country cover 550,000,000 acres.

An average of 70 human lives are sacrificed annually in forest fires, says the circular, and a loss occurs of \$25,000,000. Damage from insects and tree diseases, which follow fire, costs each year \$50,000,000. The cost of destruction resulting from floods is not estimated but is given as countless millions.

But the circular expresses hope more

than pessimism. As well as the colored pictures showing the forest fire, the effects of the fire, and the damage caused by floods, it shows also forests planted and grown under intensive management, and the national forest ranger scouting for fires on the mountain lookout station. The effective patrol here referred to has reduced "forest fire losses to as low as one-tenth of one cent an acre." It is pointed out that by planting forests an annual income should be derived in the country of \$65,000,000; and by preservative treatment upon timber each year \$100,000,000 could be saved.

SUNDAY DINNERS.

Gray and Gray, opposite the postoffice serve Sunday dinner from 12:30 to 1:30 for thirty-five cents.

LANGLEY FOLLY FLIES

The Airship Whose Inventor Was Derided As a Darius Green

BASIC POINTS UNTOUCHED.

Machine Hauled Out of Potomac River After Failure in 1903 Vindicates Langley, Who Died Broken Hearted. Now, Says Glenn Curtiss, His Name Antedates All Present Aviators.

"Langley's folly," the famous old tandem aeroplane that has been hanging in the Smithsonian institution in Washington for a decade, has been successfully flown by Glenn H. Curtiss over Lake Keuka, New York. This is the identical machine that was hauled out of the Potomac river after its second and last failure to fly on Dec. 8, 1903.

Professor Samuel P. Langley gave the best years of his life to this aeroplane and died in sorrow and disappointment. His friends said his heart was broken by the ridicule heaped upon him as a modern Darius Green. Congress at the last, accepting the public's attitude, refused money for further experiments, and Professor Langley apparently lost his courage as an inventor.

It is thought, says the New York Sun, that this successful flight of a machine that was completely built before Orville and Wilbur Wright made their first flights may bring about more litigation over the basic patents granted to the Wright brothers. The Langley machine was built for the government and was not patented. It has been contended that the Wrights obtained ideas from Dr. Langley's experiments.

Turned Over to Glenn H. Curtiss. Glenn H. Curtiss had the machine sent to his factory at Hammondsport, N. Y., at the request of Secretary Charles D. Walcott of the Smithsonian institution and fitted it with pontoons. The planes were recovered, and the engine was tuned, but otherwise the machine was left in its original state.

A puff of wind and the erratic performance of the old motor cut the trials short after the first demonstration of the machine's ability to raise itself from the water.

Mr. Curtiss was asked after the flight whether it was made primarily to assuage the claim of the Wright brothers that they were the producers of the first successful heavier than air flying machine. He said:

"I acted under the direction of the Smithsonian institution, which has for some time desired to ascertain whether the Langley machine embodied principles making successful flight possible. The machine demonstrated that the principles embodied in its construction are correct."

"Although this flight proves that Dr. Langley antedated all present aviators, the Wrights have been awarded a court decision, which, so far as I see, stands. In making this flight I acted willingly, actuated by a veneration for the memory of Dr. Langley and his achievements."

Entirely Different, Says Wright.

Orville Wright says the performance of the Langley machine will have no bearing whatever on the Wrights' inventions. "There is nothing in common between the two machines," he says. "The Langley system of control is entirely different from that of the Wright machines. It is a very old system that enters into the Langley machine. That machine was tried out ten days before our successful flight in 1903 and failed, although it had four times the power of our machine."

PRAYER THAT SLANDERS DAD.

Telling Child to Petition to Make Father Better Held Reprehensible.

Mothers, do not teach your children to pray, "God, make papa a better man." That is slandering your husband and is actionable.

Wives, do not show your preference for your mothers over your husbands. That is treating your husband contemptuously.

Husbands, do not remove your wives from rooms by physical force. That will enable your wife to get a legal separation.

In granting Mrs. Tusi Bradley Barber a decree of separation from her husband and giving her the custody of her child Supreme Court Justice Mills, sitting at White Plains, N. Y., handed down a decision embodying the foregoing precepts.

NEW WIRELESS SIGNALS.

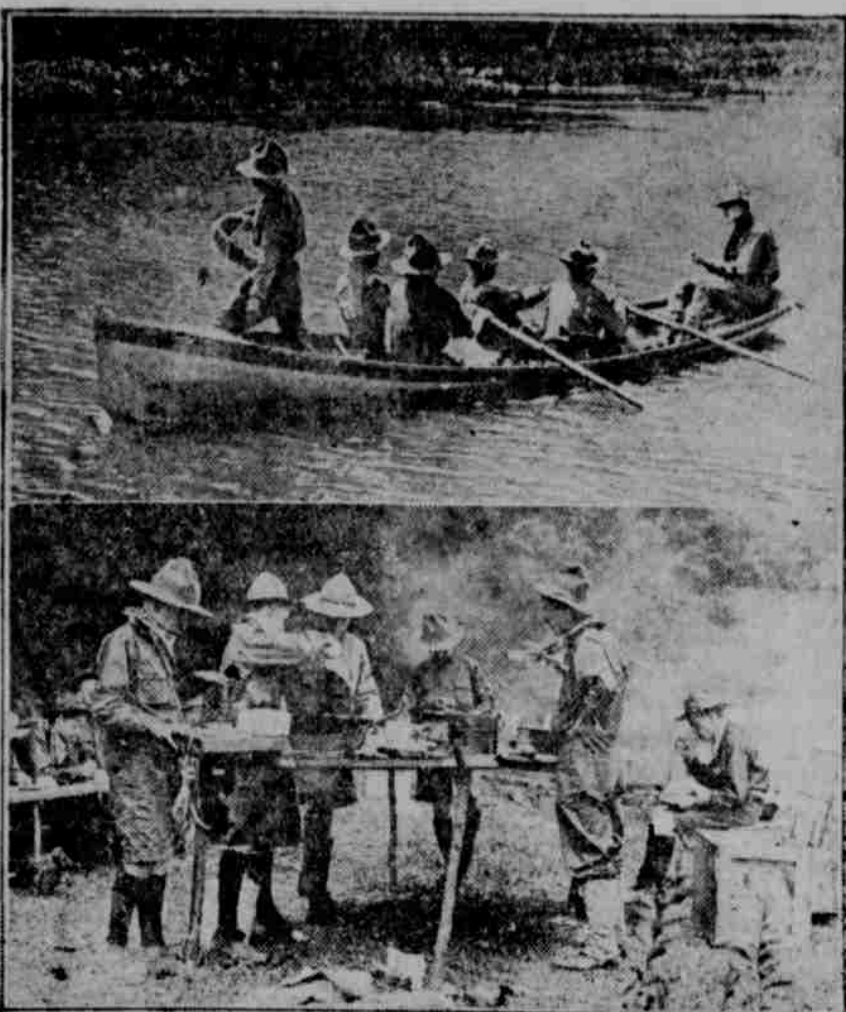
One of Those Proposed, "T T T," Is Warning Against Icebergs.

John Burns, president of the London board of trade, has drawn up a merchants' shipping bill for safety at sea, which will be introduced in parliament shortly. It provides, among other things, for a new wireless danger signal, "T T T," which is to be repeated ten times at full power.

This signal will warn vessels of imminent danger from icebergs, cyclones, etc. The "T T T" will not supersede the present "S O S." Other urgent signals are provided for, such as "You are standing into danger," "I want assistance," "Remain by," "I have encountered ice" and "Your lights are out."

WANTED—A wood pattern-maker. J. P. French, Standard Foundry Mfg. Co.

Characteristic Scenes In Activities of Boy Scouts



Photos by American Press Association.

BOYS RECEIVING WATER TRAINING AND COOKING IN CAMP.

SPLENDID WORK OF BOY SCOUTS

Bringing Out What Is Best In Youth of the Land.

LIVING CLOSE TO NATURE.

Taught to Keep Himself Physically Strong, Mentally Awake and Morally Straight—Loyal to His Scout Leader, His Home, His Parents and Country.

Among the great movements that have done much to check the tendencies drawing men down the boy scout movement stands out strongly.

The movement has spread like wildfire in America, and there are few cities that do not have their boy scout bands. The boy scout movement makes American boys better Americans. It takes them out of doors and teaches them how to do things they never would learn anywhere else.

While the movement is of great benefit to lads in the country and small towns, in the cities it is of inestimable value. The aim of the leaders of the Boy Scouts of America is to develop men of the type of the great men of history.

As the scout the boy willingly adopts as real and vital the universally accepted principles of life as set forth in the scout oath and law. This effectively influences the boy's nature and character so as better to prepare him for that work which the church can best do.

A scout promises that upon his honor he will do his duty to God, his country and obey the scout law; that he will help other people at all times and that he will keep himself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

Must Be Trustworthy.

The scout law, covering the twelve fundamental principles, requires a scout first of all to be trustworthy. That means that he must not tell a lie, cheat or deceive, but keep every trust sacred. A scout is loyal to all to whom loyalty is due, including his scout leader, his home, his parents and his country. Furthermore, a scout is helpful, prepared at all times to save life, help injured persons and do at least one good turn daily. A scout is friendly to all—a brother to every other scout.

A scout is courteous, especially to women, children and old people, and he must not take pay for being courteous. A scout is kind to animals and does not kill or hurt any living creature needlessly. A scout is obedient. A scout is cheerful, even when facing hardship and drudgery. A scout is thrifty. He works faithfully, wastes nothing and makes the best use of his opportunities. A scout is brave and does what he knows is right, in spite of jeers and threats. A scout is clean in body and thought, stands for clean speech, clean sport, clean habits, and travels with a clean crowd. Finally, a scout is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion.

BOY SCOUTS IN A CLEANUP.

Boy scouts did great work during cleanup week in Philadelphia.

Brigades of the scouts started work after school hours on vacant lots, burning up rubbish and piling nonburnable litter where it could be removed in carts and wagons. Real estate agents became interested in this movement and gave the khaki clad boys a free hand in beautifying their lots.



A CHERUIT FROCK.

This gown, designed by Cheruit, the famous Frenchman, is built of black and white striped suiting. The bodice is belted across the front at the normal waist line, but hangs loose and low at the back. Sash ends of white plique are attached to the belt. The back buttoning and the straight cut of the skirt are most appropriate for young girls' wear.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Creech of Forest Hill visited at the High school Tuesday.

Rev. Priest gave a lecture to the High school Tuesday morning on "Education to Benefit Civilization."

Mrs. Street of Wheeler was a High school visitor Friday.

In the invitation track meet at St. Johns last Saturday Alma received second honors. This shows that Alma's track team is exceptionally strong as several large High schools were well represented at St. Johns.

Professor Barber of Kalamazoo College lectured to the High school last Friday morning.

The High school play, "Midsummer Night's Dream," is progressing rapidly and will be staged at the High school auditorium June 15.

The social Friday evening was well attended. Proceeds \$14.50.

POSTAGE STAMPS OF EVERY DENOMINATION FOR EXHIBIT

Washington Collection Finest in the World With One Exception.

The \$100,000 collection of postage stamps that for years has been gathering dust in the archives of the postoffice department is being arranged and classified for exhibition at the National museum. J. B. Leavey, government philatelist, and T. T. Belote, head of the museum's division of history, expect to have the exhibit in permanent shape within about a year.

Officials of the museum and the postoffice department say the only collection of stamps which excels in completeness the one now being arranged is that owned by the British museum.

There are specimens of every variety and denomination of stamps ever issued by this government, as well as a collection of practically all the stamps ever used by any government since the use of postage stamps began. Included in the collection are specimens of the original British stamp of the forties, which was as large as an ordinary envelope of today, as well as the sizes issued in later years.

So far only nineteenth century issues and about \$10,000 worth have been put on exhibit. A novel case, consisting of scores of sliding vertical sections, all locked with one key and absolutely airtight, contains the stamps. The idea was taken from the British museum, but the cases are a great improvement on those there employed.

Among the most valuable stamps in the collection are the Franklin D. Roosevelt stamp of the forties, which brings \$100; the "Type 1" of 1851, whose faded square inch of paper is valued at \$200, and the one cent type of the same year and like value.

"The value that attaches to a stamp," said Mr. Leavey, "is determined very queerly sometimes. A misprint, a recalled issue and historic association bring up the worth of a stamp to amazing figures in a few years. Intrinsically they have no value. If stamp collecting fell into disfavor all over the world a good many paper fortunes would vanish at a blow."

COULDN'T BOSS BRADLEY.

Kentucky Senator Told Hanna One Way Was as Far as Another.

Work and persistency marked the life of the late United States Senator William O. Bradley of Kentucky from the time he first began to rise.

There was a time in his early struggles when he slept in his law office and had only one suit of clothes. When he was laughed at for his aspiration to be the Republican governor of his state his answer was to "work and persevere," and he was elected—elected as the first Republican governor that Kentucky had ever had.

When he left Louisville to go to Washington to take the oath as senator he said that he was going to have the tariff schedule on hemp increased and he was going to have the tax removed from leaf tobacco. Again every one laughed. But he made good his assertion.

Once when Mark Hanna wanted Bradley to come to Washington for a conference because the national administration did not think he was running things right he wired Mr. Hanna that it was as far from Frankfort to Washington as it was from Washington to Frankfort.

BECKER CASE CHRONOLOGY.

July 11, 1912.—Herman Rosenthal, New York gambler, publicly accuses Charles Becker, lieutenant of police in New York, of graft.

July 16.—Rosenthal murdered at 137 a. m. in front of the Hotel Metropole, New York.

July 17.—Shapiro and Libby, owners of "gray murder car," arrested. They say Jack Rose hired the car.

July 18.—Rose surrenders and is held for murder.

July 21.—"Bridget" Webber arrested and held for murder.

July 22.—Harry Vallon surrendered and held for murder. District Attorney Whitman names the four gun men as actual killers.

July 25.—"Dago Frank" arrested.

July 29.—Rose, Weber and Vallon turn state's evidence, accuse Becker of instigating murder, which they procured. Becker arrested just before midnight.

Aug. 1.—"Whitey" Lewis arrested.

Aug. 5.—Becker formally pleads not guilty.

Aug. 10.—Sam Schepps arrested as witness at Hot Springs, Ark., and returns voluntarily.

Sept. 14.—"Gyp the Blood" and "Lefty Louie" arrested.

Oct. 7.—Becker's trial begins.

Oct. 24.—Becker found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Oct. 30.—Becker, sentenced to die during week of Dec. 9, 1912, put in Sing Sing death house.

Nov. 19.—Four gun men convicted of first degree murder.

Dec. 1.—Becker appealed from conviction.

Feb. 24, 1914.—Becker's conviction set aside; new trial ordered. Gun men's case affirmed.

April 13.—Gun men executed.

May 6.—Becker's second trial called.

May 22.—Becker convicted the second time of first degree murder.



The Graduation Gift "South Bend"

A South Bend Watch is the very best graduation gift you can select.

It is personal and permanent and is referred to ten or twenty times a day throughout a lifetime.

For a lifetime of accurate and durable service is built into a South Bend Watch.

Gift-satisfaction on the part of both the giver and recipient at the time the maximum is a good watch.

You will find a watch that just the right price in our complete stock of these splendid timepieces.

J. P. LOSEY

The Jeweler

Forest Hill News

Mrs. Bailor is visiting friends in

ca. C. E. Vandemark has purchased a

auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanbaugh were in

ca over Sunday.

Nina Wright of Coe visited friends

here Saturday and Sunday.

Earl Penbroke of Alma visited his

grandparents over Sunday.

Miss Clark of Alma High school spent

the week end with Edna Sias.

Miss Gladys Failing spent the week

end with Edna Kuhlman of Alma.

Mrs. A. F. Wood of Alma called on

Mrs. B. T. Hamilton Wednesday.

Mary Mills and Clara Hamilton called

on friends at Coe Monday evening.

B. T. Hamilton made a business trip

to Lansing and Charlotte last week.

Miss Jennie Phillips of Wallaceburg

Ont. is calling on old friends in this

vicinity.

Mrs. Hugh Byers of Alma spent

Thursday and Friday at B. T. Hamilton's.

Mrs. N. W. Welch was called to Jackson

Monday to attend the funeral of her sister.

Mrs. Martha Holmes and daughter,

Hildred of Detroit are visiting friends

in this vicinity.

Mrs. John Lanshaw and son, Verne,

spent Sunday with Carl Lanshaw and

wife at Wheeler.

Lincoln Local News

Our school closed last Tuesday.

Chas. Fisher visited at F. Kennedy's

Sunday.

Frank Kennedy lost a horse last

Thursday.

Mary Koethlisberger's school closed

last Friday.

Mrs. J. Gimney and daughter, Maggie

visited at Fred Robinson's last Friday.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Alma, Mich., May 25, 1914.

Advised list for week ending May

25, 1914:

Mrs. Bessie Bartz,

Mr. Purl Burch,

Mr. Arden Musser,

Mrs. B. M. Smith.

The above if not called for will be

sent to the Dead Letter Office June 8th,

1914.

V. P. CASH, Postmaster.

DOUBT DISAPPEARS.

No One in Alma Who Has a Bad

Back Should Ignore This

Double Proof.

Does your back ache?

Have you suspected your kidneys?

Backache is sometimes kidney ache.

With it may come dizzy spells,

Sleepless nights, tired, dull days,

Distressing urinary disorders.

Doan's Kidney Pills have been en-

dorsed by thousands.

Are recommended here at home.

You have read Alma proof.

Read now the Alma sequel.

Renewed testimony; tested by time.

E. Griffin, contractor and carpenter,

312 Woodworth Ave., Alma, Mich., says:

"I had considerable trouble from my kid-

neys. The kidney secretions were ir-

regular in passage and I suffered in-

tensely from backache. I used Doan's

Kidney Pills, that I got at Rhodes' Dr.

Store, and they relieved me. That ha-